

COMMON COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
OCTOBER 18, 2005

- I. Mayor Fred Armstrong called a regular meeting of the City Common Council to order at approximately 7:10 P.M. in the City Council Chambers.
 - A. Opening Prayer was given by Mark Teike, Pastor at St. Peter's Lutheran Church.
 - B. Pledge – Mayor Fred Armstrong led the Pledge of Allegiance.
 - C. Roll Call: Present: Jesse Brand, Ann DeVore, George Dutro, Robert Kittle, Martha Myers – Absent – Craig Hawes and August Tindell.
 - D. Acceptance of Minutes from the previous meeting: Martha Myers moved to approve the minutes from the last regularly scheduled meeting of October 4, 2005. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. Motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0.
- II. Unfinished Business Requiring Council Action
 - A. Second reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO. 25, 2005, AN ORDINANCE FOR MILITARY INCENTIVE PAY.” Matt McCord, Chief of Police, reiterated the points as to why he felt this Ordinance was so important. He expressed this was a way to attract and retain officers for the city police department. Robert Kittle made a motion to approve the Ordinance. Martha Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0.
 - B. Second reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO. 26, 2005, AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING AND DECLARING CERTAIN TERRITORY TO BE PART OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA.” (Kamman Annexation) Jeff Bergman, Planning Director, presented this Ordinance. He briefly explained the property and showed the location map. Ann DeVore moved to approve the Ordinance. George Dutro seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0.
- III. New Business Requiring Council Action
 - A. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO. 38, 2005, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND THE CLERK-TREASURER TO EXECUTE STATEMENT OF BENEFIT FORMS IN CONJUNCTION WITH AN APPLICATION FOR TAX ABATEMENT IN A PREVIOUSLY DESIGNATED ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA PURSUANT TO INDIANA CODE 6-1.4-12.1-7.” Judy Jackson, Director of Community Development, and Myron Moorman, President of Advanced Mold & Engineering, Inc. presented this tax abatement on behalf of the corporation. Mr. Moorman requested tax abatement in the amount of \$350,000 for new manufacturing equipment. Robert Kittle indicated the Incentive Review Committee had met and found Advanced Mold & Engineering, Inc. to be in substantial compliance. He indicated this was the third (3rd) application for tax abatement for Advanced Mold & Engineering. Robert Kittle moved to approve the Resolution. Martha Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0.

- B. First reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO. _____, 2005, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE WRITTEN COMMITMENTS ESTABLISHED BY ORDINANCE NO. 28, 1999 FOR SHADOW CREEK FARMS PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (PLAN COMMISSION CASE NO. PUD-99-2), ADOPTED CONSISTENT WITH TITLE 17 (THE ZONING ORDINANCE) OF THE CODE OF LAWS OF COLUMBUS, INDIANA.” Jeff Bergman, Director of Planning, presented this Ordinance. Jeff Bergman explained the commitment changes and considerations. He informed the Council the Plan Commission had given it a favorable recommendation. George Dutro made a motion to place in proper channels. Martha Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0.
- C. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO. 39, 2005, A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE “DOWNTOWN COLUMBUS PLAN” AS AN ELEMENT OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.” Jeff Bergman presented this Resolution and asked that the Council approve it. The Redevelopment Commission had recommended and requested this Plan be approved by the Plan Commission and adopted by the City Council as an element of the Columbus Comprehensive Plan. Discussion followed. George Dutro praised the Redevelopment Commission and moved to pass the Resolution. Jesse Brand seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0.
- D. Reading of a Resolution entitled “RESOLUTION NO. 40, 2005, A RESOLUTION TRASFERRING CERTAIN FUNDS OF THE COLUMBUS ANIMAL CONTROL BUDGET.” Matt McCord, Police Chief and Kevin Konetzka, manager of Animal Control presented this Resolution. He indicated with the rising cost of fuel and other expenses, it is necessary to make the transfers from the line items. Discussion followed. Martha Myers made a motion to approve the Resolution. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0.
- E. First reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO. 41, 2005, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 22, 2004, ENTITLED “THE 2005 SALARY ORDINANCE .” Matt McCord, Police Chief, requested the Salary Ordinance be amended so three (3) new officers could be hired this year in order to place them in the Police Academy starting November 15, 2005. Matt asked the Council to suspend the rules and pass this on first reading. Martha Myers made a motion to suspend the rules. Robert Kittle seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0. Martha Myers made a motion to pass the Ordinance. Ann DeVore seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0.
- F. First reading of an Ordinance entitled “ORDINANCE NO. _____, 2005, ENFORCEMENT AND COMPLIANCE OF SMOKING IN PUBLIC PLAES AND PLACES OF EMPLOYMENT.” Tim Coriden, City Attorney, presented this Ordinance. Tim Coriden explained this Ordinance was prepared at the recommendation of the City Council. Much discussion followed. Several people from the audience spoke. George Dutro made a motion to amend the Ordinance to read in Item A. as follows: The Mayor for the City of Columbus shall appoint and designate a City Department(s), and/or employees to enforce **Ordinance No. 19, 2005 of the City of Columbus (herein) Smoking Ordinance.** In the body of this Ordinance, every place the word Ordinance is used will be replaced with the words **Smoking**

Ordinance. Martha Myers made a motion to second the Amended Ordinance. The motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0. George Dutro made a motion to place in proper channels. Martha Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 4 to 1. Ann DeVore cast the nay vote.

IV. Other Business

- A. Greg Summerville – Report on Senior Living in Columbus. Greg Summerville gave a PowerPoint presentation regarding how the city of Columbus could recruit senior citizens to move to Columbus and why it is important that we pursue the cause.
- B. Martha Myers read a press release stating that Councilman Craig Hawes was activated in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and would be leaving October 31, 2005. She indicated the Council would miss his energy and commitment as an elected official.
- C. Standing Committee and Liaison Reports.
- D. Next regular scheduled meeting is November 1, 2005 .
- E. Adjournment – Martha Myers moved to adjourn the meeting. Jesse Brand seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0. The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:30 P.M.

Presiding Officer of the Common Council

Attest:

Columbus City Clerk Treasurer